person at a higher tier, you must provide immediate written notice to that person if you learn either that—

- (a) You failed to disclose information earlier, as required by §19.355; or
- (b) Due to changed circumstances, you or any of the principals for the transaction now meet any of the criteria in §19.355.

#### Subpart D—Responsibilities of Department of the Treasury Officials Regarding Transactions

## § 19.400 May I enter into a transaction with an excluded or disqualified person?

- (a) You as an agency official may not enter into a covered transaction with an excluded person unless you obtain an exception under §19.120.
- (b) You may not enter into any transaction with a person who is disqualified from that transaction, unless you obtain a waiver or exception under the statute, Executive order, or regulation that is the basis for the person's disqualification.

# § 19.405 May I enter into a covered transaction with a participant if a principal of the transaction is excluded?

As an agency official, you may not enter into a covered transaction with a participant if you know that a principal of the transaction is excluded, unless you obtain an exception under §19.120.

## § 19.410 May I approve a participant's use of the services of an excluded person?

After entering into a covered transaction with a participant, you as an agency official may not approve a participant's use of an excluded person as a principal under that transaction, unless you obtain an exception under §19.120.

# § 19.415 What must I do if a Federal agency excludes the participant or a principal after I enter into a covered transaction?

(a) You as an agency official may continue covered transactions with an excluded person, or under which an excluded person is a principal, if the

transactions were in existence when the person was excluded. You are not required to continue the transactions, however, and you may consider termination. You should make a decision about whether to terminate and the type of termination action, if any, only after a thorough review to ensure that the action is proper.

(b) You may not renew or extend covered transactions (other than no-cost time extensions) with any excluded person, or under which an excluded person is a principal, unless you obtain an exception under §19.120.

## § 19.420 May I approve a transaction with an excluded or disqualified person at a lower tier?

If a transaction at a lower tier is subject to your approval, you as an agency official may not approve—

- (a) A covered transaction with a person who is currently excluded, unless you obtain an exception under §19.120; or
- (b) A transaction with a person who is disqualified from that transaction, unless you obtain a waiver or exception under the statute, Executive order, or regulation that is the basis for the person's disqualification.

### §19.425 When do I check to see if a person is excluded or disqualified?

As an agency official, you must check to see if a person is excluded or disqualified before you—

- (a) Enter into a primary tier covered transaction;
- (b) Approve a principal in a primary tier covered transaction;
- (c) Approve a lower tier participant if agency approval of the lower tier participant is required; or
- (d) Approve a principal in connection with a lower tier transaction if agency approval of the principal is required.

#### § 19.430 How do I check to see if a person is excluded or disqualified?

You check to see if a person is excluded or disqualified in two ways:

- (a) You as an agency official must check the *EPLS* when you take any action listed in §19.425.
- (b) You must review information that a participant gives you, as required by